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FAQs about using mySRA

These FAQs cover all aspects of using mySRA - including the additional authentication step.

Has your saved mySRA page link stopped working?

Due to the introduction of the new authentication step you must remove any previously saved links - favourites or bookmarks - and then create a new one via https://my.sra.org.uk. [https://my.sra.org.uk/]

Authentication

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Why is authentication mandatory when logging into mySRA?

This additional security reduces the chances of your mySRA account being accessed by a third party. It is an effective cybersecurity tool that helps protect your data and stop identity theft.

You will not be able to access your mySRA account if you do not set it up.

How does the authentication work?

It uses a trusted device that's not easily duplicated, in this case a phone, to text you a one-time code or phone call.

In the telephone call, it asks to press the pound key. What is the pound key?

The pound key is also known as the hash mark (#). It is found in the bottom right-hand corner of the number keypad.

If I leave my computer for short time, will I need to authenticate when I log back in?

If you are signed out of mySRA, you will need to reauthenticate when you log back in.

Will I be charged for the SMS text messages or phone call?

No, you will not be charged for a text message or phone call.

What if I don't get the code despite asking for it to resent?

If you do not receive a code, then please contact us [https://beta.sra.org.uk/home/contact-us/] to reset your authentication phone number.

How do you register a new phone number?

If you need to change your authentication phone number, then please contact us [https://beta.sra.org.uk/home/contact-us/] .

What do I do if I lose my phone?

If you no longer have access to your phone number, then you will need to contact us [https://beta.sra.org.uk/home/contact-us/] to change this.

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Who is responsible for ensuring personal profile information is correct and up to date?

You must make sure that your personal and professional details are correct.

If you opt in, your authorised signatory and organisation contact can also view and change the information for you.

To find out how to update your personal and professional details, go to Managing my individual account [https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/manage-account/individual-account/] .

There are errors in the data held about me/my firm. How do I correct these?

You can change your details in the 'My Profile' section of your mySRA account.

Log in to mySRA now

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Go to manage my individual account [https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/manage-account/individual-account/] to help you to change your personal and professional details.

How do I update my personal/professional details?

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Go to manage my individual account [https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/manage-account/individual-account/] to help you to change your personal and professional details.

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The contact email address listed in mySRA is correct, why am I not getting emails from the SRA?

There are a number of reasons why, even when we are sending them to a correct address, our emails may not be getting through to you.

For example, they may be getting blocked by your internet service provider or company firewall, or automatically rerouted to spam folders.

Please read our receiving emails from us guidance [https://beta.sra.org.uk/home/contact-us/receiving-emails-from-us/] for the simple steps you can take to make sure emails we send to you are received.

I have forgotten my password. What should I do?

To reset your password, you should select Forgotten Password on the login page.

- Enter your username and your account email address.
- Click 'email me my verification code'
- The code will be emailed to you.
- Enter the 6- digit code and continue
- Then enter and confirm your new password
- Go back to the login page to login with your new password.

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I have forgotten my username. What do I do?

Go to login page.

Enter the email address for your account.

We will email your username to your account email.

I don't have a valid activation code. What should I do?

To activate your account

- Go to login page
- Click on Request an activation code link
- Your activation code will be sent to the postal address we hold for you (the code is only valid for 28 days)
- When you receive the activation code go to login page and click on the link I have a valid activation code.
- You can then complete the setup of your account by choosing a username and password.
- Once your account is fully set up you can login by going to the login page and entering your username and password and selecting the 'sign in' button.

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My practising details are not appearing on Find a Solicitor. Why?

Your practising details should appear on Find a Solicitor if you have a practising certificate, you have added an association to your organisation, and a post in mySRA.

How to manage your individual account [https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/manage-account/individual-account/] will help you to change your professional details.

Once any changes are made in your mySRA account, it may take up to 48 hours for the details to appear on Find a Solicitor.

If you do not appear or have any queries about the information shown please contact the Law Society Support Centre on +44 (0)20 7320 5757 (Monday to Friday from 09:00 to 17:00) or email thesupportcentre@lawsociety.org.uk [mailto:thesupportcentre@lawsociety.org.uk]

What is a post?

It is a position that you hold within an organisation such as assistant, associate, partner, member, director, consultant, employee.

You can add, change and remove posts in the My Profile, Work details section of your mySRA account..

Please note that managerial posts (partner, director, member) can only be added by the authorised signatory at your firm.

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What is a role?

It is a responsibility that you hold within an organisation such as authorised to supervise. You can add, change and remove roles in the My Profile, Work details section of your mySRA account.

How to manage your individual account [https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/manage-account/individual-account/] will help you to add, change or delete a role.

There are some roles that cannot be added through mySRA:

- Compliance officer for financial and administration
- Compliance officer for legal practice
- Training principal.

These are roles that we authorise.

I do not want my organisation's authorised signatory or organisation contact to see my personal information. What should I do?

You need to opt out of Personal Information Management.

Go to My Profile, Work details, Manage employment. Make sure there is no tick in Personal Information Management.

How to manage my individual account [https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/manage-account/individual-account/] will help you change your personal and professional details.

If I am opted into Personal Information Management what can the authorised signatory or organisation contact change?

Your personal and professional details in the My Profile section of your mySRA account. They will not see equality data.

How to manage your individual account [https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/manage-account/individual-account/] will help you to opt in or opt out of Personal

Information Management.

Will I be notified if my details have been updated by the authorised signatory/organisation contact?

Yes.

If you are opted in you will receive an email if changes are made to your mySRA account.

How do I update my personal/professional details?

You can update your details in the 'My Profile' section of your mySRA account.

How to manage your individual account [https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/manage-account/individual-account/] will help you to change your personal and professional details.

Individual practising certificate

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How do I apply for a practising certificate?

Click Apply for a practising certificate under Start a new application.

How to manage your account [https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/manage-account/individual-account/] will help you to complete the application.

Read more about our fee policy [https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/fees/] .

Log in to mySRA. Before starting the application make sure that your professional details are up to date.

Log in to mySRA now

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Are there any reduced fees?

Yes, we offer reduced renewal fees for maternity leave.

If you are currently on maternity leave (or equivalent) or were between 1 November 2023 - 31 October 2024, you may be eligible for a reduced fee.

Equivalent maternity leave is shared parental leave (where the maternity leave is split between the parents) or adoption leave.

Paid or unpaid paternity leave and time off work to care for dependents are not equivalent.

There are no other types of reduced fees.

Read more about our fee policy [https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/fees/] .

I fall into both categories for maternity leave, which option do I choose on the renewal form?

If you fall into both category A and B, please select A.

Anyone starting maternity leave on or after 1 November 2024 will need to claim for the reduced fee in next year's renewal.

Authorised signatory / Organisation contact

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What is an authorised signatory (AUS)?

A person nominated to update their organisation details and sign the declaration in a bulk renewal application.

In a law firm, it must be a solicitor or registered European lawyer (REL) with a current practising certificate/registration and who is a manager (a partner in a partnership; a member in an LLP; a director in a company).

If you work within an in-house team, it can be a solicitor or a REL with a current practising certificate/registration.

The authorised signatory (AUS) can nominate an organisation contact (ORC) to complete the bulk renewal application but only an AUS can sign it.

To find out how to add, change or delete a role, go to Manage My Organisation Account [#] .

How do I become an authorised signatory (AUS)?

You can add the role in the My Profile section of your mySRA account.

In a law firm, you must hold a current practising certificate/registration and be a manager (a partner in a partnership, a member in an LLP, a director in a company).

If you work within an in-house team, you must simply hold a current practising certificate/registration.

For further information, go to [Managing my Individual Account](https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/manage-account/individual-account/) **[https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/manage-account/individual-account/]** .

What is an organisation contact (ORC)?

They are the person nominated by an authorised signatory (AUS) to update organisational details and complete the bulk renewal application for an organisation. Less

ORCs can see and change individuals' personal and professional details if they have opted in.

There are no restrictions on who can be an ORC but the AUS should be satisfied they are suitable for this role.

To be nominated as an ORC, you must have a mySRA account.

Find out how to get a mySRA account.

How do I add a manager post in mySRA?

Go to [Manage my organisation account](https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/manage-account/organisation-account/) **[https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/manage-account/organisation-account/]** to find out how to add, change or delete a post.

How do I remove individuals who have left my organisation?

If the individuals have ended their posts and roles it will reflect this in the organisation record. If they have not, then:

- Click my organisation
- Click Employees and click End Employment.
- Select the date the individuals have left the organisation.
- Click Save. This will end all posts and roles. This will include manager posts.

Will an authorised signatory or organisation contact be able to view and print off practising certificates?

Yes. Organisation contacts (ORC) and authorised signatories (AUS) can view and print individual practising certificates.

They can access them through their mySRA account. They can view them in My Organisation tab. Then go to Manage my organisation applications and documents.

Opting in / out

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What is opt in / opt out?

You can opt in for bulk renewal and personal information management if your organisation offers the service.

If you opt in to bulk renewal your firm will be able to renew your practising certificate as part of the firm application.

If you opt in to personal information management the organisation will be able to see and change your personal information. This does not include equality data.

If you opt out of bulk renewal you would need to make an individual application to renew your practising certificate.

If you opt out of personal information management you would need to keep your own details up to date in your mySRA account.

How do I opt in?

1. Go into your profile
2. Click work details
3. Select Manage
4. Click I want to opt into the organisation's bulk renewal. This option will only be available if the organisation complete a bulk renewal application.
5. Click Save

Log in to mySRA now

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How do I opt out?

1. Go into your profile
2. Click work details
3. Select Manage
4. Untick the relevant option for I want the firm to manage my information or I want to opt into the organisation's bulk renewal
5. Click Save

Organisation's bulk renewal application

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Where can I find the bulk renewal application?

It can be found under 'Start a new application' and in 'Organisation applications'. It is now called 'Pay your periodic fees and apply for bulk renewal'.

Will the form 'freeze' once started?

Before, when the form was opened, it was 'frozen' and no changes could be made to related mySRA accounts. Now in mySRA, the form can be accessed at any time before you submit it, giving you freedom to look at the questions and the information you need before completing it.

This also means that solicitors and registered European or foreign lawyers in your organisation can opt into your bulk renewal at any time before you submit this. If someone does add themselves, you will get a notification, so you will know if this has happened.

How to submit information on the organisation's indemnity insurance?

You can tell us about your insurance details by completing step 3 of the application. Here you can choose your firm's insurer from the list provided or tell us if your firm is exempt from indemnity insurance.

We do not need any other documentation to support your application. So, you do not need to upload any documents.

What do you ask in the bulk renewal application form?

Find out what will be asked in our mySRA update article about the bulk renewal form questions [https://beta.sra.org.uk/mysra/updates/bulk-renewal/] .